बारहमासी सड़कों के साथ जोड़े गये गांव

440. श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज :

श्री राम जेठमलानी :

क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सातवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के अंत तक 1000 या उससे अधिक की आबादी वाले 26504 गांव बारहमासी सड़कों से नहीं जोड़े गए हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान कितने अतिरिक्त गांवों को बारहमासी सड़कों से जोड़ने का लक्ष्य है ; और

(ग) मार्च, 1994 के अंत तक 1000 या उससे अधिक की आबादी वाले कितने गांव बारहमासी सड़कों से जोड़े जा चुके थे ?

ग्रामीण विकास मंत्रालय के ग्रामीण विकास विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रामेश्वर ठाकुर) : (क) जी हां।

(ख) आठवीं योजना (1992–97) में न्यूनतम आवश्यकता कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत 1000 और उससे अधिक की जनसंख्या वाले सभी गांवों को सड़कों से जोड़ने की परिकल्पना की गई है ।

(ग) मार्च 1994 के अंत तक न्यूनतम आवश्यकता कार्यक्रम के अंतर्गत 1000 और उससे अधिक जनसंख्या वाले 109100 गांवों को सड़कों से जोड़ दिया गया है ।

Problem of unauthorised encroachments

441. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether government are aware of the problem of unauthorised encroachments on a sizeable area of surplus land earmarked for the landless poor;

(b) if so, the steps being taken to remove such encroachments;

(c) whether the accountability for such encroachments has been fixed on the officials responsible for distribution of such land to landless poor; and

(d) if so, the number of officials found guilty and the action taken by Government against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) No specific complaints have been received by this Ministry regarding encroachments on surplus land.

(b) to (d) Question does not arise.

Eradiaction of poverty

442. SHRI S. S. SURJEWALA: be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of persons still remained below the Poverty Line as on 31st March, 1994 in the country and particularly in Haryana; by when Government propose to take the entire remaining population above the poverty line;

(b) what is the method/Agencies for the evaluation of the I.R.D.P./ J.R.Y./I.A.Y. and other such schemes launched by the Department of Rural Development for the eradication of poverty in the country and when the last evaluation was conducted; and

(c) what is the feedback received in view of the above schemes and the action taken by Government to remove the short.comints in this evaluation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RU-

RAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI UTTAM BHAI PATEL): (a) As per the results of the 43rd Round (1987-88) of National Sample Survey Organisation, the total number of persons below the poverty line at the all India level covering both Rural and Urban Sectors were estimated to be 2376.9 lacs. Out of this 18.2 lacs were in the State of Haryana. Similar estimates are not available for latter years. Through various poverty alleviation programmes both in the rural as well as in urban areas, the Government of India is making concerted efforts to help the poor people to cross the poverty line.

(b) and (c) To assess the impact of various poverty alleviation programmes, the Ministry of Rural Development undertakes Concurrent Evaluation studies from time to time by associating independent and reputed Institutions all over the country. The 4th Round of Concurrent Evaluation of Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) was conducted from September, 1992-August, 1993 and similarly 2nd Round Concurrent Evaluation of Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) was undertaken from June, 1993-May, 1994. These evaluation studies are carried out in all Districts in the country in randomly selected blocks and villages through detailed questionnaires which have a bearing on the impact of Rural Development Programmes. On the basis of the findings of these evaluation studies, necessary corrective measures are applied to improve the implementation of the programme.

Release of funds under MPs local area development scheme

443. SHRI S. S. SURJEWALA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether government have released the money for the implementation of M.Ps.' Local Area Development Scheme;

(b) if so, when and how much funds have been released;

(c) whether the funds released by Government of India have been provided to State Government; if so, name of States which have not received these funds;

(d) whether the above money/funds released through the State headquarters or the District Collectors;

(e) whether the money did not reach the Districts well in time, if so, will it be possible to spend to these funds within the current financial year; and

(f) if not, what are the arrangements made to prevent lapsing of these funds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT) (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b) A sum of Rs. 739 crores has been released so far. This includes Rs. 532 crores released for the Lok Sabha members and Rs. 207 crore to the districts which have been chosen by the Rajya Sabha members. Thirty two Rajya Sabha members have not given their choice.

(c) and (d) The funds have been released to the District Collectors directly.

(e) and (f) As provided in the guidelines, the District Collectors have to implement the scheme in the remaining months of the current year. Necessary instructions in this regard have already bee issued. Funds already released would not lapse.

स्थानीय क्षेत्र विकास योजना के अधीन बजट में प्रावधान की गयी धनराशि

444. **श्री कैलाश नारायण सारंग** : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) वर्ष 1994-95 के बजट में प्रत्येक संसद सदस्य को उनके अपने-अपने